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VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS

Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20423

Re:

Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 577X)

CSX Transportation, Inc. -

Abandonment in Wayne County, Indiana

Dear Mr. Williams:

On or about May 20, 2002, CSXT requested an extension of the NITU negotiating period and consummation date in the above captioned matter. The Board granted CSXT's request for an extension of the trail negotiating period and consummation date until December 30, 2002. It has recently come to my attention that the parties will be unable to finalize the trail transaction by such deadline. As such, CSXT must request an additional extension of the trail negotiating period and consummation date until June 30, 2003. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Natalie S Rosenberg

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